HB 739 -- SALVAGE AND JUNK TITLE RECORDS

SPONSOR: Kolkmeyer

This bill requires salvage dealers and salvage pool or salvage disposal sale operators to keep electronic records of all sales of vehicles which titles are salvage, junk, wrecked, nonrepairable, or carry a similar brand. All salvage dealers and operators must also obtain documented proof of any required license when conducting salvage business with any person residing in a jurisdiction that does not require purchasers to be authorized to purchase salvage vehicles in that person's jurisdiction. Such records are to be submitted to the Department of Revenue. Any person who knowingly fails to report all transactions of a vehicle whose title is salvage, junk, wrecked, nonrepairable or carries a similar brand to the statewide database shall be guilty of a civil infraction, punishable by up to \$1000 per infraction. Purchasers of such vehicles have a seven day period to report the nature of the title to the department.

Subject to appropriations, the department will report all salvage vehicle purchases to the National Motor Vehicle Title Information System, and it may contract with a third party data consolidator to receive and provide information to the National Motor Vehicle Title Information System. The department shall provide specified vehicle information to state or federal law enforcement upon request.

This bill is similar to HB 2758 (2016).